

SEC. 2. That the necessary printing of the National Board of Health be done at the Government Printing Office, upon the requisition of the Secretary of the board, in the same manner and subject to the same provisions as other public printing for the several departments of the government: *Provided*, That the cost of said printing shall not exceed the sum of ten thousand dollars per annum.

Printing.

*Proviso.*

SEC. 3. That the National Board of Health is hereby authorized and empowered to have printed and bound ten thousand copies of the report of the Board of Medical Experts created by former act of Congress, which report shall include the report of Doctors Bemiss and Cochran and Engineer Hardee, upon the yellow-fever epidemic of eighteen hundred and seventy-eight; six thousand copies of the same to be furnished the House of Representatives, two thousand copies to the Senate, and the residue to the National Board of Health: *Provided*, That the cost of publication and binding said report shall not exceed the sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars. And the said board is hereby authorized to pay Doctors Bemiss and Cochran and Engineer Hardee ten dollars per day, for the preparation of their said report, for the period of two months: *Provided*, That the same shall be completed and submitted to the board within that time.

Report of Medical Experts.

*Proviso.*

Pay for preparing report.

*Proviso.*

SEC. 4. That the National Board of Health is hereby authorized and directed to pay to Frank J. Taylor, for services as stenographer to the Board of Medical Experts in reporting evidence of medical men and others touching the causes, introduction, and spread of epidemic diseases within the United States, and for preparing the same for publication, the sum of five hundred and forty dollars, said sum being the amount allowed him by the Committee on Epidemic Diseases.

Pay of stenographer.

SEC. 5. That the chief clerk of the National Board of Health shall act as disbursing agent for the board, and shall give bond, conformably to section one hundred and seventy-six of the Revised Statutes, for the faithful performance of that duty, and for such service he shall receive three hundred dollars per annum, in addition to his salary as chief clerk, and the Board of Health may, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, pay to its secretary such sum, in addition to his pay as a member of the board, as it may deem proper, not exceeding one hundred dollars per month.

Disbursing agent.

R. S. 176.

Secretary.

SEC. 6. That section three of the act approved June second, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, entitled "An act to prevent the introduction of contagious or infectious diseases within the United States", be amended as follows: At the end thereof insert: "And the Board of Health shall have power, when they may deem it necessary with the consent and approval of the Secretary of the Treasury as a means of preventing the importation of contagious or infectious diseases into the United States, or into one State from another, to erect temporary quarantine buildings and to acquire on behalf of the United States titles to real estate for that purpose, or to rent houses, if there be any suitable, at such points and places as are named in such section".

1879, ch. 202,  
20 Stat., 484.

Quarantine stations.

SEC. 7. That all the money hereinbefore authorized to be expended and all contracts made and liabilities incurred by the National Board of Health shall be paid out of the appropriation of five hundred thousand dollars made in the act of Congress entitled "An act to prevent the introduction of contagious or infectious diseases into the United States", approved June second, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine.

Expenditures.

1879, ch. 202,  
20 Stat., 484.

Approved, July 1, 1879.

CHAP. 62.—An act to provide for the conveyance of the low grounds in the city of Washington, under the provisions of the act of Congress, chapter ninety-six, approved May seventh, eighteen hundred and twenty-two.

July 1, 1879.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the powers and duties heretofore in and by the third section of the act of Congress, approved

1822, ch. 96,  
3 Stat., 691.

Deeds for certain  
land in Washing-  
ton, D. C.  
*Proviso.*

May seventh, eighteen hundred and twenty-two, to wit, chapter ninety-six, of the first session of the seventeenth congress, devolved upon and vested in "the mayor of the city of Washington for the time being", be, and the same hereby are, vested in and devolved upon the Secretary of the Interior, who shall execute the deeds thereby required, under his hand and official seal, when it shall appear to him that the persons applying for such deeds are duly entitled to have the same: *Provided*, nevertheless, this act shall not be so construed as to create or revive any right lost by lapse of time.

Approved, July 1, 1879.

July 1, 1879.

**CHAP. 63.**—An act for the relief of settlers on the public lands in districts subject to grasshopper incursions.

Public lands.  
Absence of set-  
tlers because of  
grasshoppers.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That it shall be lawful for homestead and pre-emption settlers on the public lands, and in all cases where pre-emptions are authorized by law, where crops have been or may be destroyed or seriously injured by grasshoppers, to leave and be absent from said lands, under such rules and regulations, as to proof of the same, as the Commissioner of the General Land Office shall prescribe; but in no case shall such absence extend beyond one year continuously; and during such absence no adverse rights shall attach to said lands, such settlers being allowed to resume and perfect their settlement as though no such absence had occurred.

Final proof.

**SEC. 2.** That the time for making final proof and payment by pre-emptors whose crops shall have been destroyed or injured as aforesaid, may, in the discretion of the Commissioner of the General Land Office, be extended for one year after the expiration of the term of absence provided for in the first section of this act; and all the rights and privileges extended by this act to homestead and pre-emption settlers shall apply to and include the settlers under an act entitled "An act to encourage the growth of timber on Western prairies" approved March third, eighteen hundred and seventy three, and the acts amendatory thereof.

Settlers under  
timber culture act.  
1873, ch. 277,  
17 Stat., 605.

Approved, July 1, 1879.

July 1, 1879.

**CHAP. 64.**—An act to put salts of quinine and sulphate of quinine on the free list.

Quinine on free  
list.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That from and after the passage of this act the importation of salts of quinine and sulphate of quinine shall be exempt from customs duties; and all laws inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved, July 1, 1879.

## RESOLUTIONS.

April 18, 1879.

[No. 1.] Joint resolution authorizing the printing of a portrait of the late Joseph Henry, to accompany the memorial volume heretofore ordered.

Joseph Henry.  
Portrait.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Secretary of the Treasury have printed the portrait of Professor Joseph Henry, to accompany the memorial volume already ordered by Congress; and the sum of five hundred dollars is hereby appropriated, to defray the cost thereof, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Appropriation.

Approved, April 18, 1879.